I offer the following testimony in support of **S.B. No. 872 AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF INDOOR TANNING DEVICES BY PERSONS UNDER EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE**

As a pediatrician, I urge the immediate adoption of this above referenced act. Please heed the wise counsel of the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) who recognizes both the incomplete development and judgement of minors (who may not vote) AND the profound likelihood that minors will, in fact, use indoor tanning devices. The AAP has recommended that children under the age of 18 be prohibited from using such devices.

I urge you to protect minors from exposing themselves to a device that will significantly and absolutely needlessly increase their risk of skin cancer, including fatal skin cancer.

Thank you.

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